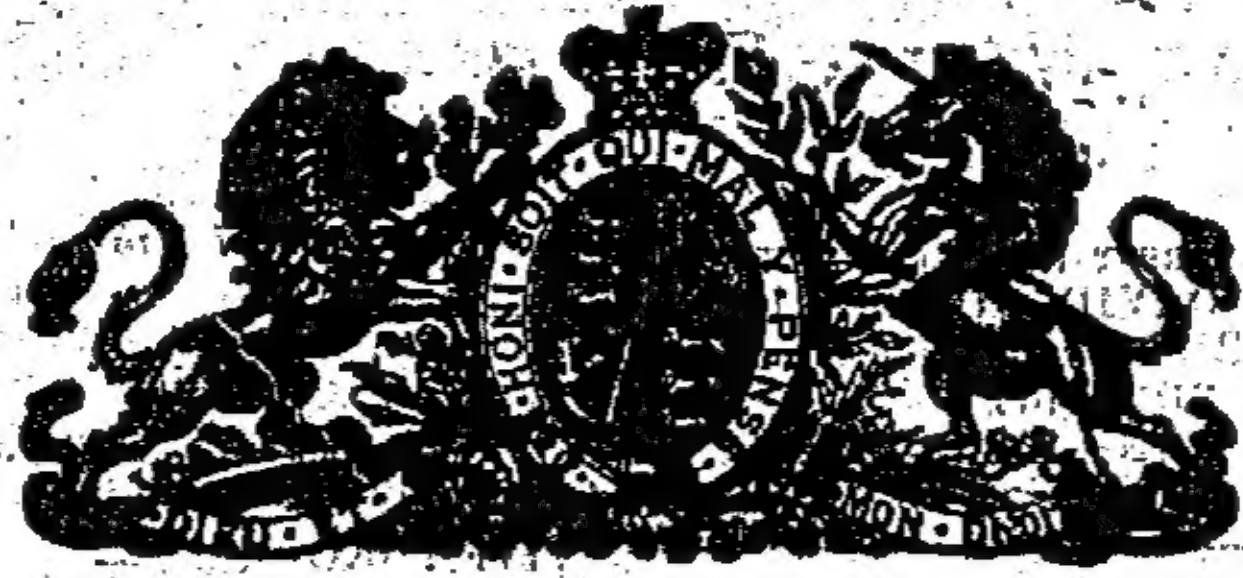


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Captain OTTMANN, will be despatched as above on or about 22nd Proximo.
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"ADA MELMORE,"
Captain SEWELL, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
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The A 1 British Bark
"LIZZIE PERRY,"
Captain FITZMAUR, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
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Hongkong, September 17, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Ship
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DIXON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
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VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

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Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

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Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 p.m., To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 16th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 9, 1878. oc16

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, October 11, 1878. oc18

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To-day's Advertisements.

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S. M. Orr, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, Tuesday, the 15th Instant, at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

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TENDERS FOR THE REPAIRS of the Dutch 3-m. Schooner *TRIO*, BARKER, Master, will be received at the Office of the Underigned until TO-MORROW, the 15th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Particulars, apply to Captain on Board, or
SIEMSEN & Co.,
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GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Agents.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOOW.
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"DOUGLAS,"
Captain PITMAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 14, 1878. oc17

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO.
The Steamship
"TAIWAN,"
Captain M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,
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Hongkong, October 14, 1878. oc17

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo per S. S. *Emeralda*, from Manila, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Underigned at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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To-day's Advertisements.

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THURSDAY EVENING,
October 17th, 1878.

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In Three Acts.

MISS ELOIA MAY
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To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.
THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF
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LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Shanghai, October 10, 1878. mola

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Oct. 13, *Taiwan*, British steamer, 408,
Young, Tamsui Oct. 9, Amoy 11, and Swatow
12, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Oct. 13, *Chinkiang*, British steamer, from
Canton.

Oct. 13, *Archives*, British steamer, 1348,
C. Jackson, Liverpool Aug. 22, via ports of
call, and Singapore Oct. 6, General and
160 chests Opium.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Oct. 13, midnight, *Tigre*, French steamer,
2050, Lormier, Shanghai Oct. 11, noon,
Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Oct. 14, *Tigre*, French steamer, 1004,
de Glanville, Yokohama Oct. 8, Mails and
General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Oct. 14, *Emeralda*, British steamer, 395,
R. Cullen, Manila Oct. 11, General.—
RUSSELL & Co.

Oct. 14, *Ata*, French steamer, 2177,
Hernandez, Marseilles Sept. 8, Naples 10,
Port Said 14, Ismailia 15, Suez 15, Aden 20,
Galle 30, Singapore Oct. 6, and Saigon 10,
Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Oct. 14, *Java*, Dutch steamer, 886, R.
C. Weber, Singapore Oct. 4, General.—
SIEMSEN & Co.

Oct. 14, H.M.S. *Frolic*, 592, Comr. A.
E. Dupuis, from a cruise.

Oct. 14, *Marco Polo*, German barque,
from Quinhon, Salt.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

DEPARTURES.
Oct. 13, *Ting-po*, Ohi. R.C., for a cruise.

13, *Washi*, for Halphong.

13, *Namoa*, for Coast Ports.

13, *Yotung*, for Swatow.

13, *London Castle*, for Shanghai.

13, *Prima*, for Singapore &c.

13, *Roderick*, for Foochow.

13, *Charles Morris*, for Halphong.

13, *Emilio V.*, for Nagasaki.

13, *Emeralda*, for Amoy.

13, *Fleusberg*, for Cheloo.

13, *Glenfalloch*, for Shanghai.

13, *Prima*, for Swatow.

13, *Freja*, Ger. corvette, for a cruise.

CLEARED.
Chinkiang, for Shanghai.

Kate Waters, for Foochow.

Hermann, for Newchwang.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.

Per *Taiwan*, from Amoy, &c., Mrs. Vella,
1 European, and 41 Chinese.

Per *Archives*, from Liverpool, Mr Woods,
and 228 Chinese from Straits.

Per *Tigre*, from Shanghai: for Hong-
kong, Mr Miyagawa, Mr and Mrs Yates
and servant, Mr James Dary, and 18 Chi-
nese; for Saigon, Mr Fongue; for Madras,
Mr C. A. Skatzeoff (Russian Consul Gen-
eral); for Galle, Mr J. E. Haefliger; for
Marseilles, Messrs Gibson, Dainiel, Ren-
necamp, Mr and Mrs. Hedges and 2
children, Van Fies, Schmidt, Mrs. Haas,
Mrs. Hall, 2 children and servant.

Per *Tigre*, from Yokohama: for Hong-
kong, Messrs B. Stanford, A. Naville, and
Apou; for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs. Ryner,
Messrs Yoko, Yashimura, Yashaya, O. Rap-
pard, Ephimov, and E. Perrin.

Per *Ata*, for Hongkong: from Mar-
seilles, Messrs Anderson, Mein, Fressel,
Lawson, and Keyman; from Pondicherry,
Mr and Mrs. Mansfield; from Singapore,
Messrs Simpson and Krause; from Saigon,
67 Chinese.—For Shanghai: from Mar-
seilles, Bishop and Mrs. Schereschewsky, 2
children and servant, Sisters Carton and
Chabauty (Sisters of Mercy).—For Yokohama:
from Marseilles, Mr Dolmer.

Per *Emeralda*, from Manila, Honourable
O. C. Smith, Messrs Emilio M. Cardenal,
L. O. and J. Garnett, 9 Europeans deck,
and 160 Chinese.

Per *Java*, from Singapore, Miss A. Lohr,
and 36 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Washi*, for Halphong, Mr O. Von
der Heyde, and 10 Chinese.

Per *London Castle*, for Shanghai, Mrs.
Murray and child, Miss Brooks, and Miss
Gibbs.

Per *Emeralda*, for Amoy, Mr Chas. E.
Anderson.

Per *Namoa*, for Coast Ports, 150 Chinese.

Per *Yotung*, for Swatow, 68 Chinese.

Per *Prima*, for Straits, 280 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Taiwan* reports: From Tamsui to Amoy, experienced fresh E.N.E. winds and fine; from Amoy to Swatow and thence to Hongkong strong N.E. winds and heavy sea. In Amoy: six *Ferret* boats; str. *Yesso* left Swatow on the 12th inst. for Amoy. The British ship *Arabia* arrived in Amoy on the 11th inst. under jury-masts and reports being dis-
masted near the Loochoo Islands on the 31st of September.

The British steamer *Archives* reports: Left Liverpool on the 32nd August, Canal on 10th Sept., and had fresh S.W. monsoon to Penang. Left Singapore on 5th Oct., and first part of passage had pleasant weather and southerly winds, latter part variable weather.

The French steamer *Tigre* reports: Strong N.E. breeze throughout.

The British steamer *Emeralda* reports: Left Manila on the 11th, had light variable winds and high confused sea for the first day. Thence to port strong N.E. monsoon and equally with high sea.

The Dutch steamer *Jess* reports: Up to Sapata S.W. winds, thence till Pandara calms. Up to this point strong breeze and heavy sea from N.E. and E.N.E. Saw some masts of junks floating near to Ladrones Islands. On the 18th inst. spoke French barque, showing signal L.Y.G.R., off Ladrones Islands.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—
For SHANGHAI.
Per *Chinkiang*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 15th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND
CALCUTTA.
Per *Morley* and *Ararat* on Tuesday, at 2.30
p.m., on Tuesday, the 15th inst.

For SAIGON.
Per *Quatre*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the
14th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.
Per *Ata*, at 7 a.m., on Wednesday, the
16th inst. Late letters received from
7.10 to 7.30, with 28 cents late fee.

For SWATOW.
Per *Olympia*, at 9.30 a.m., on Wednes-
day, the 16th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.
Per *Tigre*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 16th inst.

For PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.
Per *Ocean*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday,
the 16th inst. Private ship rates.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOCHOOW.
Per *Douglas*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,
the 16th inst.

For AMOY, TAIWAN, AND TAMSUI.
Per *Taiwan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday,
the 17th inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *City of Tokio*
will be despatched on TUESDAY, the
15th instant, with Mails for Japan,
San Francisco, and the United States,
which will be closed as follows:—
11.15 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.
11.30 a.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa
Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New
Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can
no longer be sent by this route.

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MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.
The French Contract Packet *Tigre* will
be despatched from Hongkong on
THURSDAY, the 17th Oct., with
Mails to and through the United
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-
seilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia,
Galle, Pondicherry, Madras,
Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and
Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 18th October.
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the Night Box,
which remains open all night.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878. oc17

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.
The British Contract Packet *Penit* will
be despatched with Mails for the
Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah,
Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta,
Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served
through London, on THURSDAY,
the 24th inst.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the
Australian Colonies, &c. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 23rd inst.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m. Post Office closes except the Night
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 24th inst.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.
10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry ceases.

Hongkong, Oct. 12, 1878. oc24

CARGO.

no foundation whatever for the report that an unofficial Member of Council, who so ably and dispassionately stated the public grievance against the present administration at the public meeting, had been called upon to resign; and we think that it is most unwise to give currency to such rumours in the present state of feeling amongst the Community.

Tan Band and Pipers of the 74th Highlanders will perform in the Public Gardens to-morrow night, commencing at 9 p.m. The following is the programme:—

BAND.
March,.....Wedding.....Mendelssohn.
Overture,.....Stabat Mater.....Rossini.
Selection,.....Mazurka.....Flotow.
Valse,.....Gavotte.....K. Bala.
Selection,.....Il Trovatore.....Verdi.
Galop,.....Valentine.....Belle.
Mr. J. Buchanan, Bandmaster.
Pipers.
March,.....Soldier's Return.
Do,.....This is my own House.
Do,.....Olympic Side.
Do,.....Cam ye by Athol.
Strathspey,.....Miss Drummond's.
Reel,.....Kilbrann Castle.
J. Hall, Pipe Major.

A DARING attack appears to have taken place four or five days ago at Kowloon city. It is said that shortly after dark a body of about thirty robbers forced an entrance into a Pawabroker shop at Kowloon and tied up the assistants. Intelligence of the affair speedily reached the Colonel of the forces, and he immediately sent his soldiers to the place, but the robbers dared not effect an entrance on learning from the reports that if they did so, they (the robbers) would kill all the assistants in the shop. The soldiers, therefore, surrounded the shop the whole of the night, and a great portion of the following day. In the afternoon some of the shopmen called out that the robbers would not take anything away if the soldiers would retire and let the robbers get away free. This request was complied with by the soldiers, who retired to a spot where they expected the robbers to pass, and ten of their number were arrested in this way. Rather a Chinese method of doing business.

The performance of "Martha" by the Royal English Opera Company on Saturday was a very satisfactory one, despite the fact that one of the leading artists (Mr. Vernon) was again suffering from indisposition, and was consequently far from being in good voice. The opera is, in itself, one of the most pleasing ones the Company have yet placed on the stage here. Miss May being in her usual health and spirits, it is almost needless to say that the rôle of "Martha" received an excellent rendering at her hands with respect both to singing and acting. The part of "Nancy" was also exceedingly well sustained by Miss Stanley; indeed we think this promising young artist has not been more successful in any of her previous representations than she was as "Nancy" on Saturday night. "Plunkett" was played by Mr. Phillips, whose face is a new one on the stage. Possessing a fairly good voice, and evidently knowing something of musical matters, Mr. Phillips would unquestionably have made with much more success than he did had he been able to shake off the extreme nervousness from which he was suffering. His make-up might also have been improved, while if Mr. Vernon would kindly permit him to pursue the even tenor (baritone) of his way instead of leading him about the stage so much, we fancy Mr. Phillips' composure would be somewhat less disturbed. Excepting the effects of indisposition apparent in some of his upper notes, Mr. Vernon's representation of "Lyonel" left little or nothing to be desired, and as usual he managed to draw a lion's share of the applause. The other characters in the opera were fairly well sustained by the Misses Dragger, Mr. Rollings, and Mr. Prescott. On Thursday the Company re-produced the "Princess of Trebizonde."

We some few days ago suggested that the police should be given power to enter every suspected dwelling in and around the alumns of Taipingshan, and enquire as to the business of the inmates, their length of residence, &c. Such a proceeding, however, is somewhat foreign to English notions of the castlelike nature of their dwellings. A better plan, and one we think at which no one but rogues could cavil, would be for the master of every coolie-house to be required to furnish a list of the inmates to the police; that is, the case in brothels, the names, occupation, date of arrival and other particulars should be posted in a conspicuous place inside the house; and that the master be made responsible for the truthfulness of the particulars so set forth; while in case of any falsity being discovered of which it is clearly shown that he must have been cognizant, he be made liable to a fine. It might be made part of the duties of the Inspectors of Nuisances to examine these lists from time to time, and the police should be empowered to enter these houses at any hour of the day or night. The first place a thief or thieves make for, if possible, when pursued is a coolie-house, and it is almost impossible for the police to identify the man they are in search of when once he has got into the herd. A good idea, and we commend it to humanitarians as worthy their attention, would be to build a number of model coolie-houses, well-built and well-ventilated, and place them in charge of trustworthy men. Such measures as these would tend to drive all the rascals of the lower order into a corner, and they would soon begin to find the place a little too warm for them.

Mr Kwok Ah-chung's son has been released from the clutches of the law (as we presume it is called) at Canton. The unfortunate man chiefly owes his freedom to the lively interest taken in him by H. B. the Governor, who, when he found that H.M.'s Consul's representations at Canton had been insufficient to move the Chinese Authorities with the desired celerity, wrote himself to the Viceroy in very strong terms. The result of this step was that orders were at once sent to Nankow, where the unfortunate heir of the Ah-chungs was then located, for his immediate release, and he was sent to Canton in charge of one of the Viceroy's underlings, and then delivered over to H.M.'s Consul. The Ah-chung family have been

mulcted of about \$700 or \$800 dollars, owing to the enforced residence of one of their number amongst the Cantonese officials. He was first, it appears, taken to the Sam Shui Custom House, where he remained 6 days, and made the acquaintance of Messrs Wang Man-chu 王萬朝, Neo Sik-yuen 李錫元 and Chun Tsung-hoi 陳東海. These gentlemen asked the modest sum of Tls. 500 to let him go, but the offer was declined. He remained 5 days with these worthies, and was next sent on a trip to Hoi-kwan, where he sojourned 13 days; his next view of official life was at Nankow where he made a stay of 5 days; he then went back to Hoi-kwan, for a 3 days' stay, which was rendered all the more unpleasant owing to his being supplied with a bracelet and ankle ring. There was however no rest for this hopeful branch of the Ah-chung family, as he was again hurried off to Nankow and stayed there for 24 days, but not in the same house as before. Each move cost the family treasury a sum of money, as he had to pay for his enforced lodgings, and there being no scale of charges the officials fixed it at as high a sum as they thought their guest could be induced to fork out. He continually told he had broken the Custom's law and would be heavily fined, sums of Tls. 10,000 and Tls. 20,000 being frequently mentioned as something near the figure he might expect to be required to pay.

INQUESTS.
Two inquests were held this afternoon at the Government Civil Hospital, before C. V. Gough, Esq., Coroner, and a Jury, comprising Messrs O. E. Page, W. H. Percival, and J. A. Barretto.
The first was on the body of one Wong Ah-shing, who died from the effects of poison, which there is reason to suppose was self-administered. The enquiry was adjourned until the 21st inst. at 3 o'clock. The other case was that of a coolie named Ho Ah-nan, who it appears was drowned by falling from a stage whilst carrying some pig lead on board the s.s. *Namoa*. It would appear that deceased with about 5 or 6 coolies was on the stage leading from the wharf to the steamer when the forward mooring chain carried away, and the steamer springing off from the wharf the stage or platform on which the deceased and others was at the time fell into the water. Life buoys and ropes were at once thrown to the men, and all but deceased were rescued. The Jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

(London & China Express, Sept. 8.)
Two companies of the 3rd Regiment d'infanterie will be despatched from Rouen on the 20th inst. for Saigon, in order to replace the troops which were sent from thence to assist in the repression of the Insurrection in New Caledonia.
The gunboat *Falcon* and *Foehow*, the former on service in the Sea of Marmora, and the latter in the Mediterranean, will proceed very shortly to the China station.
Colonel Frahmewald, the distinguished traveller, is preparing at Tashkent for a new journey of exploration to the western and Central parts of China. His objects, although partly scientific, are chiefly of a political nature. Advice from St. Petersburg point to the probability of war between Russia and China, which is considered inevitable since the Chinese reconquered Kashgar, and are raising demands for a revision of Kuldah.

Sir Hercules Robinson, G. C. M. G., has accepted a twelve months' extension of his appointment as Governor of New South Wales.
The *Whitehall Review* says:—Although there are already six Chinese officers serving in ships of the Royal Navy, the Government of that country is anxious that the same facilities for acquiring a knowledge of the routine of a British man-of-war should be granted to a further number. The Admiralty has expressed its willingness to find room for some more junior officers of the Chinese Navy, and we hear that three will at once be attached to the Mediterranean fleet. Four Chinese sub-lieutenants have been on board ships in the Dardanelles and at Cyprus during the late exciting times.

Hamburg, Sept. 3.—In my last letter I reported that the negotiations with China regarding the abolition of the laika taxes had been broken off in consequence of the non-fulfilment of the promises originally given to Herr von Brandt, and that a circular had been sent by Germany to all the other European Powers inviting united action in the matter. Advice which I have since received from Berlin enable me to add that not only is the abolition of the laika taxes to be demanded from China by our Government, but also a complete revision of the treaty of 1861.

Police Intelligence.
(Both Magistrates Sitting.)
14th Oct., 1878.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A SHIP STEWARD.
J. H. Dixon, a steward employed, was charged with stealing 4 bottles of gin on board the British ship *City of Manchester* on the 28th ultimo, being drunk on same day, stealing two chronometers, one binocular glass, one barometer valued at \$8, three receipts for \$7.10s., \$2.12, and \$3 respectively, willfully damaging a letter book; unlawful possession of one coat, one watch; and willfully damaging 24 preserve-meat tins.
Captain Deane, Superintendent of Police, appeared to prosecute. The defendant was sent here from Manila by H.M.'s Consul at that port, charged with stealing the articles enumerated above on or about 26th September 1878. The depositions taken before the Consul at Manila were produced by Captain Deane, and the defendant, when asked if he wished to ask any questions, said, he was not guilty and that it was all a false statement made by the carpenter of the ship.
Mr O'Creagh remanded the case until Wednesday next, the 16th instant.

TO-DAY'S FINE.
Pun Atak, bottle, depositing rubbish in the street. Fined 10 cents.
Ng Ato, and three others, no lights on passes. Fined 50 cents each.
Leung Ahung and Leung Ahing, two boatmen, anchoring their boats within 300 yards of the shore at 4 o'clock this morning. Fined \$1 each.
Malcolm Robinson, seaman S.S. *Albatross*, drunk and incapable. Fined \$1.
John Gardner, seaman residing at Mr Smith's Boarding House drunk and riotous and assaulting the police. Fined \$4 and to pay 75 cents amends.
John Kennedy, private H. M. 74th Highlanders, drunk and disorderly and assaulting the police. Fined \$4.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Oct. 14, 1878.

Sir,—I have just obtained a glance of the pamphlet "The Wu-shih-shan Affair Impartially Considered," which you noticed in your Saturday's issue, and I find that its authenticity and the assertions it contains are placed almost beyond dispute by one great fact. Three of the leading figures in that brochure are—Thomas C. Hayllar, Ng Achoy, and J. J. Francis. What more need be said? The Church Missionary Society and the foreign community of Foochow on one side (vide Mr MacClymont's speech at the public meeting), and three barristers on the other!

Yours,
COINCIDENCE.

AUDI ALTERAM PARTEM.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Ch. Mission House, West Point, Hongkong, Oct. 12, 1878.

Sir,—I trust that in the spirit of candour and fairness, which has ever characterized the *China Mail*, you will permit me to make a few remarks on your leading article of the 12th inst., in reference to a pamphlet on the subject of the recent outrage upon the mission premises of the Church Missionary Society at Foochow. That article as its title is calculated unfairly to prejudice the minds of the community in regard to the whole question, notwithstanding that you point out the manifest one-sidedness of the source from which it is drawn. In the first place, it leaves out of sight the fact that the property in question has been in the occupation of the mission since 1855—a portion, in fact, from the year 1850—and that the lease, or agreement entered into by Mr Wolfe in 1867 was for the very purpose of enabling him to build dwellings in European style, suitable for the residence of the missionaries of the Society, and other buildings, schools, &c., as required for the carrying on of the mission. You state that the pulling down of the wretched hovels termed houses was without permission, a point which, in the quotation you make from his "opinion," Mr Haller specially reserves as not stated in the information supplied to him. I have every reason to believe it will be found that Mr Wolfe had the required permission; certainly the fact that the houses had stood for years in the midst of a population assumed to be hostile to their presence goes far to prove it. I merely ask that judgment be suspended until Mr Wolfe's statement is before the public. If Mr Wolfe had the required permission, and there is nothing yet to show that he had not, all the pretty picture of Russian priests upsetting an English village vanishes in its own poetry. The liberality of the offer of the Telegraph property at Nankai in exchange, to a mission established for 23 years, in the midst of a city, between which and the proposed new site intervene some three or four miles of narrow, crowded streets, is equivalent to saying "Give up your present successful work and begin again." It is much as if the authorities and populace of Canton, objecting as they do to the presence of the Roman Catholic Cathedral there, were to offer liberally a site on the Honam side, to the West of Shamien, and propose the removal of the whole establishment thither. Under the circumstances—your readers will not be surprised to learn that our missionaries never for a moment entertained the idea of acceding to such a proposal; it was declined firmly from the very start. No other answer could have been expected from England for the reason that the Committee of the Society had firmly but courteously declined to accede to any such arrangement, when proposed to any personally by Sir Thomas Wade as far back as the end of last year. At that time Sir Thomas Wade expressed his determination to move the Home Government to procure the expulsion of English missionaries from all cities in China, and made the important declaration at the same time that "in the case of merchants he would recommend a very different policy." In this he was warmly supported by the present Consul at Foochow. These are facts which have a material and important bearing on the late outbreak. How far the knowledge of the feelings of English officials on the subject has contributed to encourage the authorities at Foochow to countenance and abet these acts of enmity against our Mission remains to be seen. It is significant that no such proceedings dare be taken against American missions. I have been further informed that the new school which was destroyed most wantonly was built by express permission given by H.B.M.'s Consul to the Rev. Mr Stewart during Mr Wolfe's absence.

So much for the fact of the case, which to my mind transfers the responsibility to other shoulders than Mr Wolfe's. As to the value of Counsel's opinion, it may be right or wrong on the simple question of a lease; but in a case of this sort it is evident that mere equity demands that all the circumstances of the making of such an agreement be before any one, whose opinion is to have any value in the matter. To apply English law with all its intricacies and subtleties, and base its application upon a simple agreement drawn up without the advantage of legal assistance, is simply to re-enact the fables of the wolf and the lamb. It will be found to be the fact that, as there were technical difficulties in the way of actually selling the ground, this lease in perpetuity was devised as the nearest equivalent. Does any one suppose that the Society would have expended several thousand dollars in building upon a site which was held upon a yearly tenancy and from which they might be ousted at any moment? The supposition is incredible.

And as to your remark about missionaries not committing acts which are technically illegal according to the Rules of Equity, the Statute law or other Law for the time being in force in and for England, it is not supremely absurd that I could not call it unjust. Missionaries are sometimes gravely told that they ought to be both thorough medical men and trained schoolmasters as well as theologians; but to insist upon one being well up in all the intricacies of English Law is addition, is simply to demand that we be gifted with superhuman intellects and memories. No Sir, it is unjust to Mr Wolfe, whom I have known for many years, to charge him with wilful acts of chicanery, breaches of faith or desire to take undue advantage of the Chinese. I know him to be especially careful in all that relates to the acquisition of land in this Empire; and with all deference to the two learned Counsel who have given their opinions on the case, I am bold to say that his long experience of 17 years' gradual acquisition of land for the native church, in different parts of the province has given him a far more accurate knowledge of Chinese law and custom on the subject than either of them can possibly have acquired in

this island. Should I be favoured with a copy of the pamphlet in question I may have again to trouble you on your kindness, as I doubt not from the sample you have given there must be many inaccuracies in its pages. Meanwhile asking the public to suspend judgment until the other side is before them, I remain,
Yours truly,
A. B. HUTCHINSON,
Sec. C. M. S.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co's. steamer *Arca*, Captain Hernandez, from Marseilles, with the London mail of the 7th September, arrived here at mid-day:—

TELEGRAMS.
(From Indian Papers.)

London, Sept. 20.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Chief Secretary for Ireland, speaking at York, deprecated the aspirations of Greece to an extension of frontier, and said that Europe would scarcely tolerate the revival of the Eastern Question through the inordinate ambition of Greece.

News has been received that Khudojar, ex-Khan of Khokand, has fled to Cabul.

Vienna, Sept. 19.—The Bosnian insurrection at Bihac has surrendered to the Austrians unconditionally.

Simla, Sept. 20.—The Viceroy opened the Fine Arts Exhibition to-day. The Assembly Rooms, where the Exhibition is held, were crowded. After an excellent address from the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, the Viceroy gave a humorous and eloquent speech of thirty minutes, and declared the Exhibition open. The Assembly then adjourned for an inspection of the room recently erected for the purpose. The pictures are pronounced to be above the previous average.

The *Morning Advertiser* states that the Russian Government has abandoned the project of establishing a Russian diplomatic agent at Cabul.

The transfer of the 101st regiment to the Straits Settlements is cancelled in consequence of the large amount of sickness in Cyprus among the troops.

Vienna, Sept. 20.—An Austrian official despatch announces that the province of Herzegovina is completely pacified.

London, Sept. 23.—An official despatch states that a second outbreak of fever has taken place among the British troops in Cyprus, and that 400 have been invalided.

The *Daily News* states that the Nihilist party in Russia is rapidly growing, and that a plot has been discovered to release all the prisoners in Odessa. The Cossacks have been reinforced, and the Police in St. Petersburg patrol the city.

Constantinople, Sept. 21.—The Russian Ambassador here has submitted to the Porte a new Treaty embodying those points which were not decided at San Stefano and Berlin, including the question of the indemnity. The Russians have evacuated San Stefano.

Vienna, Sept. 21.—The Bosnian insurgent forces are concentrated and strongly entrenched at Tuzla and Zornik.

London, Sept. 23.—The Times considers the refusal of the Amer to receive a British mission an affront involving the gravest consequences, and says the question is now becoming an Imperial one.

Constantinople, Sept. 22.—The envoy from the Amer, who arrived here last week, is seeking to induce the Ottoman Government to conclude an alliance with Russia. Negotiations are now proceeding between Russia and Turkey for a definitive treaty of peace confirming the indemnity and regulating the commercial relations between the two countries.

London, Sept. 23.—Anxiety is felt in high quarters lest the Viceroy of India should have recourse to diplomatic action, whereas it is felt that the occasion demands prompt military operations, because the insult offered by the Amer to England before the whole of India, unless promptly avenged, may have disastrous results. It is considered not to be a matter for negotiations with Russia, but for action on the Indian Government's own responsibility.

London, Sept. 23.—Lord Carnarvon, speaking at Tereval, said that if England was jealous of Russian intrigues and influence in Afghanistan, it would be better to meet Russia in fair fight in Europe than entangle ourselves in an Afghan war. The *Daily News* takes the same view of the matter.

London, Sept. 24.—The London papers generally agree that the action of the Amer demands prompt punishment, without, however, dragging Russia into the question. The *Times* deprecates any hasty operation, and says the Amer must be first called upon to explain his conduct and apologise. An immediate Cabinet Council to discuss the matter is expected. The stock markets yesterday were depressed owing to political uneasiness, and Consols fell to 95. It has been decided that decorations be given for the Jowaki campaign. The Russians have evacuated and the Turks occupied San Stefano.

London, Sept. 24.—The charge of the Russians being guilty of complicity with the Amer is officially denied at Saint Petersburg.

London, Sept. 25.—No Cabinet Council will be held respecting the Amer's refusal to receive the mission, but the Indian Government will be left unhampered to pursue its own initiative in the matter. The latest accounts state that the fever in Cyprus is decreasing. Consols yesterday closed at 94½, being a further fall of ¼.

Vienna, Sept. 24.—The resistance of the Bosnians at Tuzla and Zornik has collapsed, and the insurgents have surrendered unconditionally at those places.

London, Sept. 25.—The London papers are in favour of a prompt march on Cabul, and consider that a military demonstration is inadequate.

Lord Cairns, Lord High Chancellor, has been raised to an earldom.

The latest advice state that Mount Vesuvius is now in full eruption.

The British ironclad squadron will only withdraw to Atraki in the Sea of Marmora until the Russians have left Adrianople.

Vienna, Sept. 25.—The Austrians have occupied Bismark without opposition, and Bosnia is now considered to be virtually pacified.

London, Sept. 27.—A Cabinet Council has been summoned for next week. Lord Beaconsfield is in an unsatisfactory state of health.

The *Morning Post* advocates the employment of Scindia's army to garrison the frontier of the North-West Provinces. The St. Petersburg papers, in discussing the relations between England and Afghanistan, refer to our difficulties and hope that they will elude England's intervention in

the carrying out of the Berlin Treaty. The Continental press generally apprehend a rupture in the relations between England and Russia. The *Journal des Debats* regards war between England and Afghanistan as inevitable, and hopes that Russia will observe a neutral attitude.

China.

SHANGHAI.

(News.)

The British ship *Sumatra* Captain Tribe, arrived at Wusung on Sunday, from Nagasaki. In getting underweigh in that port, we hear she collided with the *Vale of Nith*. Both vessels sustained damage, but not to such an extent as to necessitate their detention, and the *Vale of Nith* followed the *Sumatra* across, arriving at Wusung yesterday (Oct. 7th).

The Costa Rica barque *Martha* has lately been undergoing extensive repairs at the Tung-ka-doo dock. She has been supplied with a new keel, stern, stern-post, upper deck and houses, and whenever anything has been defective it has been replaced by new material; in fact she has been thoroughly overhauled from keel to truck.

Shortly before eight o'clock on Sunday evening the watchman on board the British ship *Silver Eagle*, which was moored at the Hongkong Wharf, heard a man coming up the gangway, and when he got nearly to the fore part of the ship and the wharf into the river. Every endeavour was made by several of the crew to rescue him, but nothing more was seen or heard of him. The cook of the vessel has since been missing, and it is supposed that it is he who has met so untimely an end. His name was W. H. Smith.

Yesterday (Oct. 7th) an accident, resulting in the loss of five lives, occurred on the river Hwangpoo. Shortly before six o'clock in the morning ten carpenters, or caulkers, started from the Old Dock in a sampan to work to Tung-ka-doo, where they were to go to repair the hulls of the boats. They were making the passage under sail, and all went well until they were about one hundred yards from their destination, when a squall struck the sail and capsized the sampan, its eleven occupants, the ten carpenters and the boatman, falling into the river. Five of them succeeded in reaching the bank, which was not many yards distant, and a sixth saved himself by scrambling under the inverted sampan. The remaining five were drowned. All their bodies shortly afterwards came to the surface, and were recovered from the water. None of the occurrence was then sent to the Old Dock, and Mr C. P. Blethen proceeded to Tung-ka-doo in a sampan launch. On his arrival he had the bodies placed on a large native boat, which he towed to Shanghai, where, on arrival, each body was handed over to the relatives or friends of the deceased, all of whom were Ningpo men.

The cross-actions, the German barque *Emma* v. the British barque *Goodwin*, and the *Goodwin* v. *Emma*, were again before H.M.'s Supreme Court yesterday, (Oct. 8th), when the legal gentlemen engaged summed up on behalf of their respective clients. His Lordship (R. A. Mowat, Esq.), and the Assessors, Captain Philip and Lowe, then retired to consider their decision, and on returning into Court his Lordship said in their opinion the case turned solely on the liability of the light carried by the *Emma*, and the efficiency of the look-out on the *Goodwin*. After consulting with the Assessors on these points, he had put to them the following questions:—1st, Was the *Emma's* light fairly visible? The Assessors answered No. 2nd, Did her defects in this respect contribute to the collision? The Assessors answered Yes. 3rd, Had the *Goodwin* an efficient look-out? The Assessors answered No. 4th, Would an efficient look-out have enabled her to see the *Emma* in time to bear away and avoid the collision? The Assessors answered Yes. On these findings his Lordship pronounced both ships in fault, and said there would be the usual reference to the Registrar to assess the gross damage to the two ships, which would have to be borne equally between them. Each party would have to pay their own costs and one of the fees of the Assessors.

We hear from a private, but reliable source, that an American gentleman who some time since left Chinkiang for his home in the United States, has become so disgusted with the kind of domestic "help" to be obtained in his present neighbourhood, that he has written to a friend in the above Outpost to send him, if possible, his former Chinese servants! The coveted Shanghai awaiting passage by the *Genko* *Maru* next week.—Keen satire this, on the state being made to stop Chinese emigration to the States.

(Courier.)

Telegrams have been received announcing the suspension of Messrs Wm. Nicol & Co., of Bombay, a firm of merchants connected with Messrs. Smith, Fleming & Co., of London, whose failure is announced by Reuter.

The Marquis Tsing left Peking on the 29th September en route for England, with his wife and son and several relations that are attached to his suite.

Japan.

NAGASAKI.

(Rising Sun and Nagasaki Express.)
Another step in the right direction has been taken in the establishment of Pillar letter-boxes throughout the Native town. This facility afforded by the Post-office cannot but be appreciated by all those who, living at a distance from Nagasaki, have occasion to write and post letters. These pillars are smaller than those in use in England and lack something of the substantiality which characterises the latter, but we hail their appearance as a further indication of the intention of the Department to leave nothing undone which will in any way advance its perfect working and usefulness.

Men-of-war in harbour are—H. M. S. *Egeric* and *Lily*, H. I. R. M. S. *Vendula*, and H. I. G. M. S. *Albatross*.

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE CHINA MERCHANTS' S. N. CO.
(N. O. C. D. News.)

The following are the Report and Account, of the S. N. Co. for the seventh month of the 6th year of Kuang-si (9th August, 1877) to the end of the sixth month of the 6th year (26th July, 1878):—

It is now five years since the Directors had the honour to receive instructions from the Earl of Salisbury to undertake the management of the Company, and at the end of each year a Report and Accounts have been carefully drawn up in the hope that the Shareholders

would thus be induced to make themselves acquainted therewith. This year, reckoning from the seventh month of last year, to the end of the sixth month of the present, the total earnings of the Company as freight have been over Tls. 2,300,000, and from this it would appear that the greatest exertions to attract business have been made, and also a large balance of profit secured. Still, after deducting the expenses, and interest on borrowed money, loss was unavoidable. Some persons, in order to throw doubt on the management of the Company, will say that it has not been of the most satisfactory nature, but we have been so hampered that our task has been a difficult one.

In the first place we made no agreement with foreign merchants regarding the Ningpo and Yangtze trades immediately after our balance last year. By the time an agreement was come to, the year was ended, so that during half of the year under review we suffered considerable losses. Then there have been sources of loss which our Shareholders are ignorant of. In the beginning of the ninth month of last year (October), we received commands to convey to Tientsin rice for the relief of Honan and Shanai. At that time, too, there was a rush on the part of our clients to ship all kinds of grain which had been subscribed by the public for the relief of the famine sufferers, and the Company's steamers were insufficient to meet the demand. To assist in the conveyance of the grain, foreign vessels had to be chartered, and the expense of hiring men was great. Besides, when the river was closed on the advance of the winter season, goods had to be landed at Taku, and the additional expenditure in cart and coolie hire necessitated by the transport to Tientsin was enormous. Nay more, in the item of Government grain-transport our supplementary allowance of rice, after measuring, was a small one, because the rice grains had been somewhat damped by the excessive rains. We had also to make money contributions out of our freight earnings to relief of distress in the three different provinces of Fokien, Shanai and Honan, and it is a principle of Natural Law that the more one pays to another the less one has one's self.

With regard to the insurance of our own ships by ourselves, it was agreed that, commencing from the first month of this year, there should be annually laid aside Tls. 150,000 from the Insurance Fund, to be used for the repayment of the advances of the public monies made to the Company. After writing off in full the value of the *How-sang*, there remains of the insurance receipts for the year over Tls. 72,500, and this may stand for the Tls. 75,000, which ought to be laid aside for the first half-year under the above arrangement, as the difference between the two sums is but trifling. To provide funds for writing off the *How-sang*, some other plan must be adopted. Of this five per cent. of the gross earnings devoted year after year, to the expenses of the Head-Office and the Branch Offices, the surplus remaining after defraying all expenses, has now been passed into the General Account.

In accordance with the official memorial, a dividend of 5 per cent. will be paid to the Shareholders. The remaining 5 per cent. will be retained, and Shareholders invited to take additional stock for it. The accounts have been made up as before and submitted, according to law, to the Ministers Superintendent of Trade, and distributed to the branch offices at Tientsin, Hongkong, Foochow, Canton and Hankow. We beg the Shareholders in the vicinity of each of these places to inspect them, so that they may have a thorough insight into the company's affairs.

Respectfully drawn up by the China Merchants' Company.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.
Dr. Tls.

To Capital in Shares..... 751,000.000
" Capital in Public Monies..... 1,928,888.823
" Money belonging to Jui Ho and
" Po Shih Insurance Co..... 418,480.011
" Ships' Insurance Fund..... 72,545.893
" Balances for special purposes..... 23,516.418
" Dividend on ordinary Stock (5 per cent.)..... 87,139.444
" Due Russell & Co..... 460,000.000
" Sundry Deposits..... 1,472,408.607
5,183,887.896

Less Pending Freight 290,558.841
Sundry Debtors..... 236,709.729
Cash in hand..... 59,885.081
Debit Balance..... 10,988.710
585,649.861

By value 51 Steamers..... 2,828,618.058
" Hanks and small Steamers..... 257,270.380
" Godowns and Wharves at vari-
" ous Ports..... 1,061,200.020
" Hump Bags, Coals, and Material..... 278,608.263
" Dock and Foundry..... 151,454.993
Tls. 4,877,287.885

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.
Dr. Tls.

To Profit on running of Steamers..... 407,093.861
" Godown Rent, Cargo Boat Hire,
" Share of Rice, &c..... 112,028.461
" Balance of Interest..... 258,718.040
" Cr. Balance from last year..... 11,894.428
757,925.810

Less Loss on running of certain Steamers 40,857.892
Repairs to Fleet..... 127,022.098
Repairs to Godowns..... 24,166.527
Hire of Property..... 18,700.379
Charter, &c..... 15,700.379
Shanghai & Tientsin Godown expenses..... 74,810.051
Miscellaneous expenses..... 7,385.502
Contribution to Grain Transport Temple..... 18,701.468
Contribution to Relief Fund of various provinces..... 18,504.459
838,249.347 838,249.147

By Dividend on Capital..... 74,248.888
" Interest on Deposits..... 258,721.011
" Set aside as additional interest 106,793.074
439,568.878

Less Debt Balance to next year's accounts..... 19,888.710
Tls. 419,679.168

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
 THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
 OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
 AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF TOKIO will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 15th October, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through Passages to EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES, in COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of 14th October. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelope, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
 Hongkong, September 20, 1878. oct5

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE,
ADEN, SUER, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
 ALSO,
PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CAL-
CUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 17th October, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. **TIGRE**, Commandant **LOMBARD**, with **MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,** and **CARGO**, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 16th October, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY, Agent.
 Hongkong, October 1, 1878. oct17



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE
GALLE, ADEN, SUER, MALTA,
BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MED-
AMPTON, AND LONDON, VIA
BOMBAY,
 ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND
AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"VENETIA," Captain **C. G. PERRIN,**
 will leave this on THURSDAY, the 24th
 October, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
 Hongkong, October 12, 1878. oct24

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE.
 IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL
 and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
 and
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched
 for San Francisco via Yokohama,
 on FRIDAY, the 1st November, at 3 p.m.,
 taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan,
 the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
 Steamers from Shanghai.
 Freight will be received on Board until
 4 p.m. of the 31st October. PARCEL
 PACKAGES will be received at the Office
 until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
 should be marked to address in full; value
 of same is required.

A Reduction is made on Return Pas-

sage Tickets.
 For further information as to Freight
 and Passage, apply to the Agency of the
 Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMERY, Agent.
 Hongkong, October 2, 1878. oct2

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
ARTHUR CHART in our Firm
 CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.
 Hongkong, June 13, 1878. oct13

NOTICE.

THE Underigned having This Day PUR-
CHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE, Book
Debit, and Goodwill of the CHINA DIS-
PENSARY hitherto Carried on by **Mr W.**
BALL, will conduct and carry on the said
 Business (in connection with the **VICTORIA**
DISPENSARY) on his own Account from
 This Date.

WM. CRUIKSHANK.

Hongkong, August 31, 1878.

NOTICE.

MR NG MEI KUM otherwise called
NG HOK MUN is admitted a
 Partner in our Firm from the 2nd
 February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP-KEE HONG,
 No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.
 Hongkong, September 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF
 the late **MR NG SIN FOO** otherwise
 called **NG HOK SEE** in our Firm CEASED
 from the 2nd February, 1878.

TACK MEE, HOP-KEE HONG,
 No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West.
 Hongkong, September 30, 1878. oct30

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of this
 Underigned in the Chinese Mail,
 華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po),
 CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but
 Debts prior to that Date will be received
 and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.
 Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
 signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail
 from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
 the services of **Mr Leong Yook Oon**,
 as Translator and General Manager of the
 newspaper, which under its new regime
 will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-

cellent medium for advertising, especially
 as the Manager is able to devote his whole
 attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.
 Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

Volume Seventh of the
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 1.—Vol. VII.
OF THE
"CHINA REVIEW"
CONTAINS—

The Chinese in Borneo.
 Jottings from the Book of Rites.
 The Character 華 華.
 On the Use of the Character Fan.
 Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.

The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.
 Geographical Notes on the Province of
 Kiangsi.

The Ballads of the Sh'king.
 Translations of Chinese School-books.
 Perkin Warbeck in China.

Short Notices of New Books and Literary
 Intelligence.

Dutch Doctors in Borneo.
 The Graphic and the K'lin.
 On the Syllabic Spelling.
 Lotus Operad in Flogging.
 Early Frost in Canton, in 1877-8.
 A Chinese Coin.

Annamese Sovereigns.
 Chinese Bank-notes.
 Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,
 Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1878.

Insurances.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong for the above-
named Company, are prepared to Grant
Policyes against FIRE on Buildings, and
on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-
count of 20 per cent.
 Attention is invited to a considerable
 reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in
 China.

MEYER & Co.
 Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policyes against FIRE to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
 Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOHRS & Co.,
 Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

Insurances.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BROWN, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, General Manager, for
China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$31,700,000
Surplus.....\$ 8,500,000

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong, China, for the
above Company, are prepared to Accept
Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon
terms very favourable to the assured.
 For full information and particulars
 apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.,
 Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
 Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
 In accordance with the Company's Articles
 of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
 are distributed annually to Contributors,
 whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
 to the net amount of Premiums contributed
 by each, the remaining third being carried
 to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
 General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
 INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of
His Majesty King George The First,
 A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.
 Policies at current rates payable either
 here, in London or at the principal Ports
 of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
 Policies issued for long or short periods at
 current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
 Policies issued for sums not exceeding
 \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
 Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
 Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
 China and Japan, and at Singapore,
 Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policyes of Insurance
 granted at the rates of Premium current at
 the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
 Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER AND
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1803.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, AGENTS at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policyes against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
 Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant
Policyes against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Rates
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
 ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
 for their decision.
 If required, protection will be granted on
 first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
 Life.
 For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
 posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
 Agents, Hongkong & Canton.
 Hongkong, January 4, 1871.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusion of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore K, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.
 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tonn.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Anchises	5	Jackson	Brit. str.	1348	Oct. 13	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	at daylight
Arratoon Apoor	5	Macfarlane	Brit. str.	1392	Oct. 13	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Ava	5	Hernandez	Fch. str.	2177	Oct. 14	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	16th inst.
Bollona	4	Ahrens	Ger. str.	789	Oct. 10	Chinese		
Bombay	2		Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	K'wok Acheong		
Chinkiang	4	Or	Brit. str.	799	Oct. 13	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
City of Tokio	5	Maury	Amer. str.	5079	Oct. 1	P. M. S. S. Co.	Y'ham & San F'elice	To-morrow
Douglas	5	Pitman	Brit. str.	884	Oct. 10	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	17th, daylight
Esmeralda	5	Cullen	Brit. str.	395	Oct. 14	Russell & Co.	Amoy	To-day
Fame	6	Stopan	Brit. str.	117		E. K. & W'p's Dock Co.		Tug Plying
Fatohoy	8	Holland	Brit. str.	153		G. McBain		
Glenfalloch	5	Weyler	Brit. str.	1880	Oct. 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Java	4	Weber	Dut. str.	896	Oct. 14	Siemens & Co.		
Kienchow	2		Brit. str.			K'wok Acheong		
Moray	5	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	Sept. 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Norden	7	Boysah	Dan. str.	778	Oct. 11	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Norna	3		Brit. str.	608	June 28	K'wok Acheong		
Ocean	5	Edmondson	Brit. str.	978	Oct. 1	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Port Darwin, &c.	
Olympia	2	Nagel	Ger. str.	777	Oct. 12	K'wok Acheong	Swatow	16th inst.
Panodo		Cain	Brit. str.	652	Oct. 9	Melchers & Co.	K'loon Dock	16th inst.
Quarta	4	Hays	Ger. str.	731	Oct. 2	Seoy Shing	Saigon	
Sea Gull	8	Roberts	Amer. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Sunda	5	Reeves	Brit. str.	1029	Oct. 7	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Taiwan	5	Young	Brit. str.	408	Oct. 13	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Yokohama	17th, noon
Tigre	5	Girard	Fch. str.	1004	Oct. 14	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	16th inst.
Tigre	5	Lorimer	Fch. str.	2059	Oct. 13	Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	Mails, 17th
Sailing Vessels								
Ada Melmore	4	Sewell	Brit. bge.	568	Sept. 13	Meyer & Co.	San Francisco	
Albert Russell	3	Carver	Amer. bge.	762	July 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Aldebaran	4	Colo	Brit. bge.	388	Aug. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Annie Burr	8	Simpson	Amer. Sm. sa.	660	Sept. 24	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Anton Gunter	3	Kuhn	Ger. bge.	440	Oct. 2	Edward Schellhaas & Co.		
Banlan	4	Grandin	Brit. sa.	780	Sept. 15	Melchers & Co.	Manila	
Beethoven	4	Hoye	Ger. bge.	356	Oct. 8	Melchers & Co.		
Benefactor	4	Hayden	Amer. bge.	536	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	New York	
Bertha Marlon	1	Starlett	Brit. bge.	539	Oct. 12	Gilman & Co.		
Borneo	4	Shaw	Amer. sa.	736	Sept. 11	Meyer & Co.	Callao	
Brantley	2	Dow	Brit. bge.	874	Sept. 12	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Sydney via Manila	
Canton	1	Kanderson	Slam. sa.	778	Sept. 18	Chinese		
Challenge	4	Doughty	Brit. bge.	583	Sept. 18	Olyphant & Co.	New York	
Chamron Kamreys	2	H	Slam. bge.	480	Sept. 24	K'wo-ye-long		
Channel Queen	3	Lecheur	Brit. sa.	609	Oct. 2	Edward Schellhaas & Co.		
Chocola	4	Kennett	Brit. bge.	224	Oct. 3	Chinese		
Cosmos	3		Amer. sa.	158	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Cosmos	3	Laverick	Brit. sa.	1230	Sept. 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Dartmouth	7	Robertson	Brit. bge.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Diawar	7	Freebody	Brit. sa.	1800	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Singapore	
Dirigo	3	Staples	Amer. bge.	884	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg	
Don Quixote	8	King	Amer. sa.	1128	Sept. 24	Messageries Maritimes		
Emulation	2	Gunn	Brit. bge.	390	Oct. 4	Wielor & Co.		
Fabius	2	Reeves	Slam. sa.	680	Sept. 24	Chinese		
Flansburg	5	Jacobson	Dan. bge.	385	Oct. 6	Edward Schellhaas & Co.	Chfoo	Cleared
Fontenay	7	Taylor	Brit. sa.	635	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Futler	8	Armstrong	Brit. bge.	404	Sept. 24	Melchers & Co.		
George Skollfield	3	Hall	Amer. sa.	1813	Sept. 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Glamis	7	Koy	Brit. bge.	1180	Sept. 17	Russell & Co.		
Hammonia	3	Weller	Ger. bge.	408	Oct. 10	Siemens & Co.	Yokohama	
Hera	7	Robertson	Brit. sa.	1400	Sept. 19	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hermann	3	Lombie	Ger. bg.	209	Oct. 11	Wielor & Co.	Newchwang	put back
Highlander	4	Hutchinson	Amer. sa.	1352	June 19	Captain		
Hoteper	4	Shaw	Brit. bge.	523	Sept. 3	Rosario & Co.		
Imperatrice Elisabeth	3	Hreglich	Aust. sa.	1629	Sept. 20	D. Munso & Co.		
India	5	Patten	Amer. sa.	1294	Sept. 24	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Iphigenia		Green	Ger. bge.	464	Oct. 10	Wielor & Co.		Sands' Slip
Japan	3	Ottmann	Ger. Sm. sa.	270	Sept. 10	Meyer & Co.	Hamburg	
Juliane	4	Oestmann	Ger. Sm. sa.	187	Sept. 23	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Kate Waters	2	Giese	Brit. bge.	580	Sept. 23	Kemedies & Co.	Sydney v. Foochow	
Kim Yong Tye	2	Kofoed	Slam. bge.	329	Sept. 18	Tank Mee		
Kirkland	1	Colledge	Brit. bge.	453	Oct. 4	Wielor & Co.		
Leucadia	7	Mearns	Brit. sa.	596	Sept. 18	Siemens & Co.		
Lizzie Perry	3	Pitman	Brit. bge.	1182	Aug. 26	Russell & Co.	New York	
Lord Macaulay	3	Monkman	Brit. bge.	948	Aug. 7	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Lottie Moore	4	Studson	Amer. bge.	838	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Lucky	3	Thomson	Slam. bge.	424	Sept. 20	Tank Mee		
Margaron	6	Guilburk	Fch. bge.	436	Oct. 5	Wielor & Co.		
Mare Louise	6	Dexter	Brit. sa.	1174	Aug. 11	Carlowitz & Co.	Swatow	
Mary Fraser		Plumer	Amer. sa.	994	Sept. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Melrose		Lealle	Brit. sa.	1108	Sept. 8	Olyphant & Co.		Capt'n Dock
Min-y-don	7	Blaet	Brit. bge.	621	Aug. 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Moneta	4	Paulsen	Ger. bge.	691	Oct. 11	Wielor & Co.		
Niagara	1	Stolken	Ger. sch. 157	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		Newchwang	put back
Northern Star	7	Wortley	Brit. bge.	327	Oct. 10	Wielor & Co.	Newchwang	put back
Pandur	2	Jansen	Ger. bge.	596	Sept. 13	Meyer & Co.	London	
Philippine	4	Southwood	Brit. bge.	301	Sept. 20	Wielor & Co.		
Premier	3	Holmes	Brit. bge.	486	Sept. 28	Russell & Co.	Swatow	Cleared
Ralph M. Hayward	1	Doane	Amer. Sm. sa.	605	Sept. 28	Meyer & Co.		
Siamese Crown	2	Sass	Slam. sa.	584	Sept. 28	Tank Mee		
Sir Charles Napier	3	French	Brit. sa.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Spartan	8	Vincent	Amer. sch.	100	Sept. 23	W. H. Ray		
Sumatra	3	Clough	Amer. sa.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.		
Sumner R. Mead	4	Dixon	Amer. sa.	1117	July 15	Russell & Co.	New York	
Thoon Kramom	2	Vorrath	Slam. bge.	474	Oct. 7	Siemens & Co.		
Trio	3	Bakker	Dutch bge.	268	Oct. 11	Siemens & Co.	Newchwang	put back
Tyburnia	4	Goldor	Brit. bge.	948	June 19	Olyphant & Co.		
Varuna	3	Sachan	Ger. bge.	486	Oct. 11	Wielor & Co.	Newchwang	put back
Vesta	4	Dicks	Ger. bge.	808	Oct. 2	Melchers & Co.		
Vesta		Ruige	Dutch bge.	417	Oct. 5	Siemens & Co.		Sands' Slip
Villa de Rivadavia	4	Camus	Span. bg.	251	Sept. 14	Brandao & Co.	Manila	
W. E. Gladstone	3	Gallichan	Brit. bge.	584	Sept. 16	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
CANTON								
Yangtze		Schultze	Brit. str.	783	Oct. 12	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	